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## 'Crime Bill Just An Unfunded Mandate'

By Susan McElligott

America needs true crime legislation, not more social spending, Jon Christensen, Republican candidate for Congress, told UNO students Friday morning in the Eppley Administration Auditorium.

"I opposed the crime bill because of the \$7.9 billion of social spending that was in it. I'm not opposed to the legitimate funding of building prisons and putting more police on the streets," he said.

One of the things most people don't know is that although 100,000 police officers are supposed to be added to the nation's police forces, only 20,000 are actually funded in the crime bill, and that funding is temporary, he said.

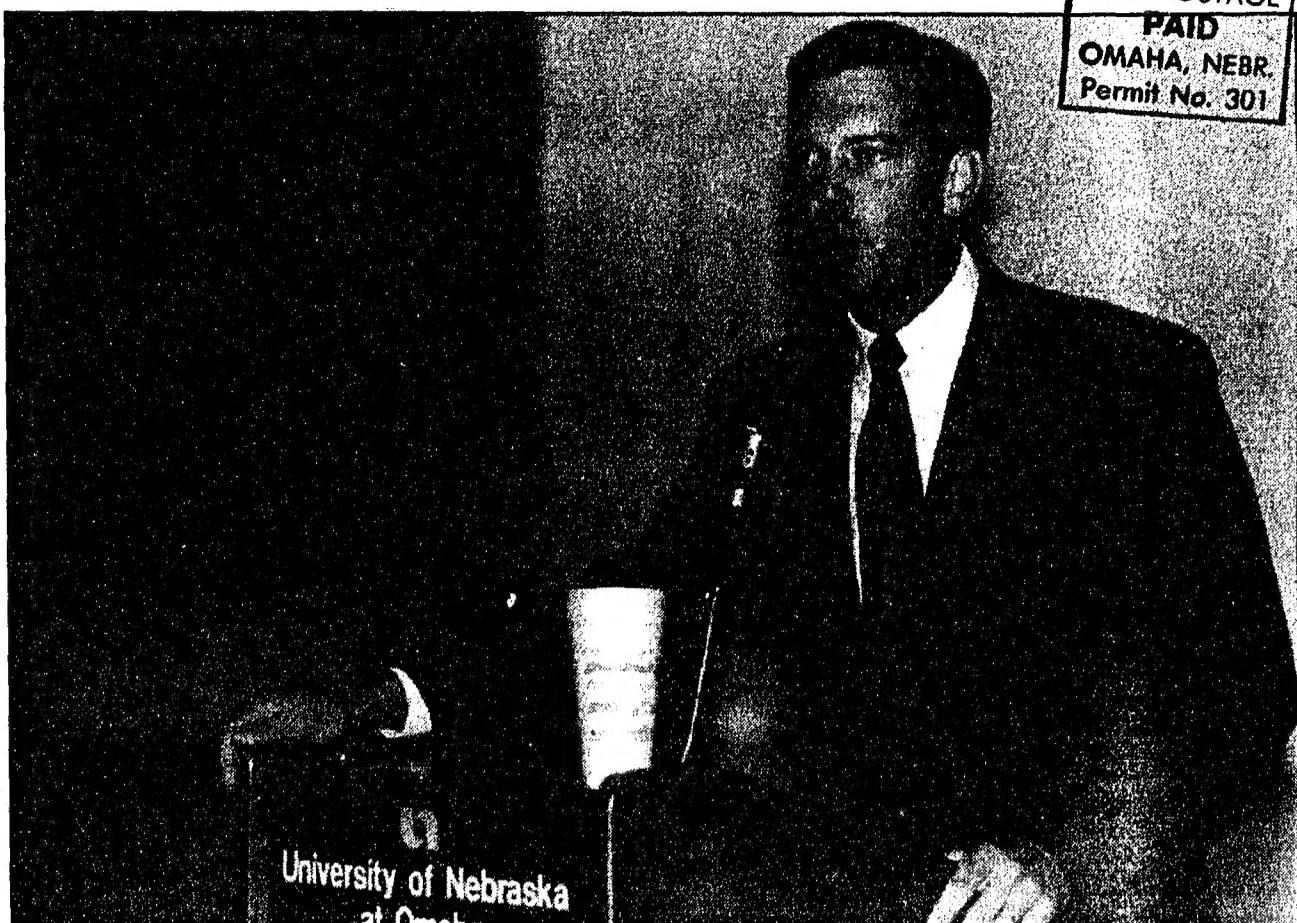
"The rest of the funding must come out of local communities. What does this mean? If it's not in the budget, local communities will have to raise taxes," he said. "The crime bill is just another unfunded federal mandate."

Criminals must be punished, not coddled with social programs, Christensen said.

"Civilized society must protect itself from predators," he said, "and that's what criminals really are. They are not misunderstood victims of society's dysfunction, they are predators."

One way to keep these predators off the street would be to eliminate parole for violent criminals, he said.

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—Ed Carlson

Republican Congressional candidate Jon Christensen shared his views on the crime bill Friday at UNO's Eppley Administration Building Auditorium.

## Nations Unite to Solve Population Problems, Environmental Concerns

by Susan McElligott

The recent United Nations population conference in Cairo, Egypt, raised awareness of the complexities surrounding world population problems.

"I look at the conference as more than a conference about population control," said UNO sociology professor Boyd Littrell. "I'm glad to see that it took place, and I'm glad to see world leaders talk about population problems, but I don't believe it's just a technical question about how to reduce birth rates."

Littrell said the conference was a forum for communication between lesser developed countries and more developed countries, in which social, economic and humanistic concerns were aired.

"It is becoming increasingly apparent that the more developed countries have a very different notion as to what the problem of population control is from what the lesser developed countries have. I think it's a good thing for more developed countries to see that lesser developed countries are not so much interested in what we think they ought to be interested in," he said.

From a global perspective, highly developed countries like the U.S. consume too much energy and waste too much in proportion to their populations, he said.

If everybody could live on 60 percent of the standard of living that the United States has, he said, most hunger and homelessness could be alleviated.

The U.S. is in a unique position to assume leadership in the conference, however, because we have our population under better control than most countries, and we have the wealth to sponsor such an undertaking, he said.

"We should assume leadership," he said, "if you understand that leadership means we're going to get everyone together to try to address common problems."

The U.S. gets in trouble when it tries to use necessary resources, such as food, for bargaining chips to coerce lesser developed countries into going along with our policies, he said.

"This becomes a more irritating kind of leadership," he said. "The U.S. does engage in coercion, because every time we move, we knock something down. We can't help it; we're just so big and eager. Even assuming no malice, everytime we move, we disrupt somebody."

Beyond fertility rates, concerns for the world community include economic issues such as the distribution and production of food, as well as standards of living and sustainability, which are both economic and sociological concerns, and raising the status of women around the world, he said.

"We're beginning to see the population problem in the context of world economies and world environmental concerns, and this is wildly more important to me than fertility rates and the quarrels over abortion," he said.

Littrell said that the media did a service to the world by bringing the population conference to its attention, but also did a disservice by being unprepared to report more than just the hot spots.

"They know that the Pope is going to be upset because there is an abortion plank in the population proposal, and I don't think that's news to anyone, and yet that's what gets covered as news, because the Pope is a good interview," he said.

Even though the Vatican didn't agree on all points of the 20-year plan accepted at the conference, Littrell said progress was made in that delegates from the Vatican attended the conference and were able to see that there are more dimensions to the population problem than birth control and abortion.

Three main results were accomplished through the conference, he said. World leaders are talking to each other about the complexity of the population problem, there is a growing effort to coordinate plans to get population under control and there is a move toward an improved understanding of different points of view on the problem, he said.

"I think these results are real," he said. "Like so many real things, it won't be spectacular; it's not like blowing up the World Trade Center."

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## Student Organization Constitution Scrutinized

By Kate Kalamaja

Concerns about possible discrimination in the African Student Organization's (ASO) constitution will result in a Student Senate review of the organization's constitution.

Senate Speaker Justin Peterson said he met with ASO's president, Ekoka Molindo, last week and discussed two issues in the current constitution brought up at the Sept. 8 senate meeting.

The two issues were: who would be considered an active member of ASO and what powers the ASO's discipline committee would have.

The constitution reads that an active member of ASO is an African-American student at UNO involved with the activities of ASO.

At the senate meeting, Student Senator Ernest Carter said the definition means, "if you're not an African American student you cannot be an active member," he said. "That is, in fact, discrimination by race."

The constitution also reads, "this organization will not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, national origin, sex, age or handicap."

"My major concern, and the senate's, which I feel is legitimate, had to do with the word 'African,'" Peterson said. "We feel it would be better if the word was removed."

Peterson said Molindo had no problem with the senate's concerns.

Molindo said he wouldn't want anyone to think ASO is discriminatory to anyone. The organization is for any UNO student.

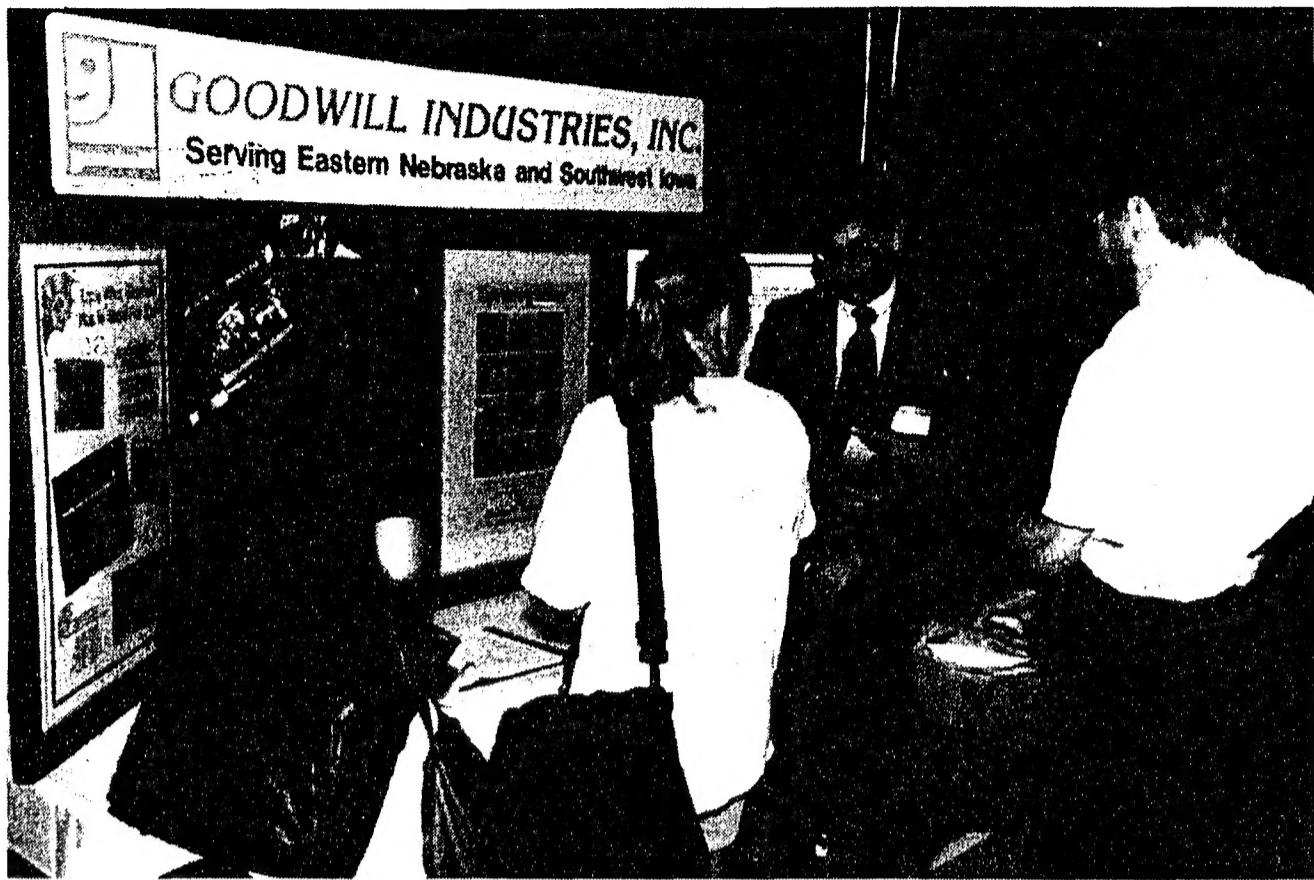
At the next rules committee meeting, Peterson said the ASO constitution will be looked over and adjustments will be made to the current constitution.

"Molindo was really cooperative and quite understanding," Peterson said in regard to the meeting.

Another concern Carter addressed was in reference to what the constitution states about the powers the discipline committee of ASO would have.

The concerns Carter brought up about the discipline com-

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—Ed Carlson

Dan Utley, center, speaks with Jim Merryfield, right, Liz Rahl, left, and Jennifer Hayes, second left.

## Job Fair Attracts Full, Part-Time Seekers

by Kathleen Peek

The UNO Fieldhouse was the place to be Thursday to look for a new career, or just a job to get through school.

Representatives from more than 50 area businesses were on hand to guide students in their career searches at the Career Exploration and Employment Fair.

Rick Carlson, supervisor of Student Employment Services which sponsored the event, estimated that more than 600 people attended the fair.

Several companies were offering management positions. Dave Beddor from Payless Shoe Source attended on behalf of his company in search of management trainees. Students were encouraged to take a packet of information describing Payless and the employee benefits.

Other companies in search of management trainees included Commercial Federal, Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, Sathers Inc., and Werner Enterprises.

Those interested in the growing computer field could visit with representatives from companies such as Bass and Associates, Financial Products Corporation, Mutual of Omaha, State Farm Insurance or Multi-Option Systems, Inc..

Clara G. Hoover, director of administration for Multi-Options Systems Inc., attended to make students aware of their growing organization. In 1987, Multi-Options Systems Inc. started with two employees and has grown to 32 people at their Omaha location today. Hoover encouraged students interested in a career in computers to learn a variety of programming languages.

"We realize that the universities can never train in all computer languages," Hoover said, adding that companies such as Multi-Options Systems Inc., train employees in the languages to meet their individual clients' needs.

The telemarketing field was represented by employers such as Gallup Organization, Matrixx Marketing and West Telemarketing. Other telecommunications fields such as Radisson Hotels and Westin Hotels and Resorts had representatives on hand to take applications for reservation agents.

If a full-time career isn't to your liking, there were several temporary agencies there to offer students a variety of part-time or full-time positions. Help Inc., Manpower, Kelly Temporary Services and Sharp Personnel attended the fair to offer students variety and

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## Scholarship Honors Slain Student's Life

by Karma JC Camphor

The parents of slain UNO student Laura Gogan have established the "Laura Gogan Memorial Scholarship Fund" at the University of Nebraska Foundation.

John and Adrienne Gogan of Lincoln, Neb., established the memorial scholarship fund with a \$10,500 gift to the NU Foundation. The MacArthur Veterans Group of Omaha also contributed \$1,000. Other donations from friends have raised the total to more than \$12,000.

"Laura's life centered around the university," Theresa Klein, director of public relations for the NU Foundation, said. "The scholarship will continue her memory here at UNO, and it will benefit incoming freshmen students enrolled in UNO's College of Business Administration, next year."

Recipients must graduate from a Nebraska high school, and financial need will be a consideration, she said.

Klein said Laura's death was a tragedy. She said it is unfortunate that Laura can no longer be here on campus, but through the scholarship future UNO students will benefit from her memory.

Gogan was a studying business and was a volunteer for the Student Programming Organization.

Klein said that although the NU Foundation manages and does the administrative work for the scholarship fund, UNO's College of Business actually selects the recipient.

She said Gogan's family told Klein that UNO was a major part in their daughter's life. The scholarship would be a lasting tribute to Gogan and help other young people pursue a college education that they may have not been able to.

Additional contributions for the scholarship are being accepted and may be sent to the NU Foundation, a non-profit organization supplementing faculty, students, facilities and program support at the University of Nebraska through gifts by alumni, friends, corporations and other foundations.

Gogan, 19, a freshman, was found dead Dec. 13, 1993, at her apartment in southwest Omaha. Gogan was allegedly stabbed and sexually assaulted. She died of asphyxiation.

Jeremy Osborn, 19, has been charged with first degree murder and the use of a knife to commit a felony in connection with Gogan's murder.

## Honorary Offering Fellowships

The National Council of Alpha Lambda Delta, freshman honorary, will award 15 \$30,000 fellowships and one Alpha fellowship of \$2,000.

Any member of Alpha Lambda Delta who has graduated with a cumulative grade-point average of 3.5 or above is eligible.

Applications will be judged on academic record, recommendations and the soundness of the applicant's stated project and purpose.

Fellowship applications are available from the Office of the Vice Chancellor of Educational and Student Services, Room 211, Eppley Administration Building.

## UNO Television Chronicles Omaha History on Film

By Veronica Burgher

UNO Television's first attempt at a major documentary will chronicle the history of Omaha through its historic buildings and the periods of time in which they existed.

"If These Walls Could Speak," a two-hour video history of Omaha, will air Sept. 29 at 7 p.m. on the Nebraska ETV Network.

There is not much on the history of Omaha, said Dave Rotterman, the show's senior producer and director.

Barry Anderson, marketing manager for UNO Radio and Television who wrote the script and composed music for the show, said "we are filling a niche" by compiling historic photos, interviews and historic quotations into a complete history of the city.

The documentary took two full years to make, Rotterman said. The crew, made up of UNO students, shot nearly 100 percent of the video.

The students took video shots of black and white photos, including moving slowly across each photo, Rotterman said.

"It looks as good as a documentary on national TV," he said.

Three students, Cecilia Marshall, Brian Schaffer and Barry Joyce did the majority of the video work, Rotterman said. Marshall has since been promoted to production coordinator at KYNE-TV and Schaffer is now a video tape editor, he said.

Using the city's buildings gave the show a focus, Anderson said, and gave it an unusual slant for a documentary.

"Politicians come and go," Rotterman said, "but buildings are much more permanent."

Harl Dalstrom, a UNO history professor, appears in the video giving local historical information and worked as a script adviser.

Chronicling history through the city's buildings is a unique angle because as a city grows, its physical construction reflects the drastic economic and social changes it is undergoing, Dalstrom said.

Omaha started as a little prairie town founded in 1854, Dalstrom said. Forty-four years later, in 1898 when the Trans-Mississippi Exposition came to town, Omaha had a

population of 102,000 people.

"This city shot up miraculously," Dalstrom said.

The physical image of a city indicates a lot about its development, Dalstrom said. When buildings start having more than one story, it shows a city is going through extensive growth, he said.

The show is divided into three parts, each about 40 minutes long, Anderson said, because professors wanted to show their classes each part as a separate topic.

The first part, called "Building Omaha," showcases the city's early days as a frontier town, Anderson said.

The second section, "Making a Statement," describes how the city developed into a major midwestern town during the mid- and late-1800's, he said. Buildings like the old Post Office, which took up an entire city block, and the Trans-Mississippi Exposition are discussed.

The Post Office, which was torn down in 1967, was located where the Red Lion Inn is today, Dalstrom said.

A grand building, Dalstrom said, the Post Office displayed the best in architecture. It was designed to make a statement, he said.

The Expo, a long stretch of extravagant buildings made of wood frames covered with plaster, was "a celebratory event which is not considered part of the city's development," Dalstrom said.

The buildings were trimmed with electric lights, Anderson said, which were a relatively new innovation.

"Imagine being a farmer from western Nebraska who may have only heard about the light bulb, much less seen buildings of that size covered with them," Anderson said.

The third section, "Omaha's Neighborhoods," describes Omaha in terms of how the different areas of town developed, Anderson said. The video discusses styles of homes such as the Tudor which became popular during the 1920s, he said. The Tudor was designed as a shrunken version of the English country estate during a time when the phrase "Every man's home is his castle," was significant.

Funding for the video project came from many different Omaha businesses, Anderson said. Financial supporters include First National Bank, Peter Kiewit Sons' Inc. and The Nebraska Humanities Council.

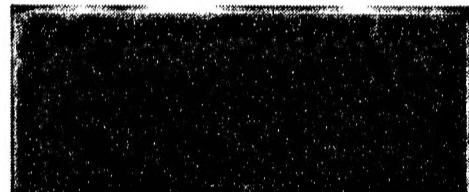
# OPINION/EDITORIAL

## 'Children A Gift From God'

Cairo, the capital of Egypt, the international Conference on population and Development has been meeting for the past week for the once a decade U.N. extravaganza. This conference has focused on the great abortion debate between the Vatican and nearly every other delegation. Before the conference ends, thousands of people at the sprawling exhibition center will leave Cairo as victors.

The first day of the conference, Gru Harlem Brundtland, representative of Norway, said that abortion is not an offense. Because of her explanation, El-Saab, the newspaper in Cairo, said that abortion is against the religion and the morality of Egypt. It also said that it is a pornographic and detestable attack on the good qualities of life.

On the other hand, the Vatican is also against the subjects of abortion and sex,



Tugba Kalafatoglu

which are also being discussed at the conference. The representative of the United States, Al Gore, said that nobody will dream and wait that the Vatican will sign up. And population control, already a growth industry, is about to explode. While it questions the means, not even the Vatican has challenged the basic premise of this year's conference: without drastic concerted action, unchecked population growth will swamp the globe's carrying capacity by the middle of next century. In the conference's proposed "plan of action," that imperative translates into a doubling of international spending on population-control programs by the year 2000, to about \$17 billion a year.

In Cairo, some 1,400 such enterprises have sent more than 5,000 representatives to the Cairo Conference. "Contraceptives are the perfect product," said Cecilia Acevedo Royals, president of the National Institute of Womanhood in Washington. "They are always needed, always consumed, and people always want more."

In other news from Cairo, the building that is housing the conference has been equipped with an electronic clock, and every minute shows the population of the world. The population in the world was 5,677,336,522 the first day of the conference. China has the largest population in the world with 1,218,769,621 people, and Cook Island comes in last with a mere 17 thousand.

Gru Harlem Brundtland, the female president of Norway, said that abortion must be legal and that women must have more opportunities. I do not know what you are thinking about these issues, but I know just one thing, they are so important to think about, especially the issue of ABORTION.

For some people, abortion must be legal. For others, it must be illegal. This topic is changing in importance in each country of the

world, maybe you will ask yourself how?

The answer is so easy, the most important thing is economical situation. If you have a high income, then why have an abortion? There is no meaning to this. BUT if you are unemployed person, no income, abortion may look like a solution.

Can you ever think that inside of yourself is a human being and they are waiting to say "Hi!" To you, mother, it means so much to know that your love is always with me. Love will be a hand so much bigger than them, as it gently guides them on their first steps alone. AND, there is always one constant, one foundation in their life, one thing that they could count on without doubt, one thing they know will always be there no matter what life will bring... the gentle love you will give day in and day out. AND MOTHER, nothing is changed today or tomorrow, or another day in the life, though years have come and gone... They still count on that love to see them through. Just knowing that it

is there makes all the difference to them, and they will know it is, because it is a part of you. To be a mother is an incredible feeling and a high gift from God.

So, you want to be a murderer, and to lose the great thing to have a baby and to watch them until the end of your life. My mother never used any drugs or smoked cigarettes, and she prepared a great life for me, and a great future with my father. Maybe sometimes she didn't eat, but I was never hungry, she always protected me when my heart was broken, and she is always waiting to give advice and a big hug, all the good values from the start I learned from her. Love is my strength, my foundation in life... and to this day, words cannot show how deep that love went and how strong it still is, how much it has meant... or the depth of the thanks that I owe her.

So, are you going to have an abortion. You can also hear the same thing that I feel for my mother, and all the mothers in the world. PLEASE DO NOT LET ANYBODY MURDER YOUR FUTURE CHILDREN.

I also want to include that if you are not able to have a child because of the economic situation, there is another solution—to protect yourself by using birth control. If you do not have any idea of which one to use, there are many places that will give you information and counseling to protect yourself and not to be a murderer. Most of the services are also free. Please, do it.

I want to see my generation educated and strong. WE ARE THE FUTURE, AND OUR CHILDREN THE NEXT GENERATION. LET'S GIVE THEM A GOOD FUTURE TO LIVE IN.

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## Haiti: Vietnam, Korean Conflict Revisited?

The fine line between entertainment and news content has finally been irreversibly crossed by the television news media. As I turned on the TV this morning to get my daily dose of CNN, I saw Robin Leach as the morning anchor. Behind him, the U.S. fleet circled menacingly around Haiti, as the hour of inevitable doom slowly approached. Meanwhile, the "diplomatic dream team" worked into the wee hours of the night trying to pull off another miracle (aka North Korea). And as the crowds of protesters surged through the streets of Port-au-Prince, Robin was heard to utter, "we're going to invade Haiti, and I don't know why." Well, at least he got the story right.

Even as I write this story, events are unfolding in the Caribbean that are surely and irrevocably drawing this nation once again into war. As President(s) Clinton attempt to overcompensate for their alleged weakness on defense, once again I am forced to watch as this nation misuses and abuses the military. And I am forced to ask myself why?

Former-President Carter reminds me somehow of a Deion Sanders shoe commercial.

"He's diffusing nuclear wars, he's playing baseball. He's in North Korea, he's in South Korea, he gets a big block and takes it into Bosnia. He's averting wars, he's relieving hunger. He's hitting the weights, he's wearing the shoes." This week, Sam Nunn and Colin Powell will be joining the President. Why weren't they on the other trips? Would you want to spend your retirement diffusing third world wars? But again, I have to wonder why anyone has to?

The forces of the U.S. military, fresh from delivering pizzas in Rwanda and Somalia, and after combating massive fires in the Pacific Northwest, is rapidly trying to remember how to shoot their guns. As the rest of the world lines up and begins dusting off their "Get out of [Some Third World Nation]!" and "Bombs Kill Babies!" signs, we are once again forcing ourselves to be portrayed as imperialists. Don't get me wrong, imperialism isn't necessarily a bad thing. I mean, if Haiti had some natural resources that were worth exploiting, or if we could make them pay

for our Health Care plan, then this I could understand. But once again, I really have to wonder if there is any real point to all of this?

And as for President(s) Clinton, this must all seem so very far away from playing the saxophone on the Arsenio Hall show. Elected from a poor state that no one ever heard of, they are being forced to spend their entire time in office in poor states that no one has heard of. That's fine. They want the job, they can have the job. But again, I have to wonder why?

For the two decades between Vietnam and the Persian Gulf War, members of the military couldn't go play pinball in a bar without some old hippie carrying a protest sign and singing Bob Dylan songs about how everybody played pinball in Vietnam. After the Persian

Gulf War, and anti-drug legislation, this horrible ghost was finally put to rest and we could get on with the future, finally this haunting specter is behind us. Unfortunately, the caution that this forced upon us was killed by the Persian Gulf War.

What will finally end this brusque attitude of cockiness? What will it take before we understand that not everybody thinks we are the world's policeman? What will it take before we realize that not everybody likes having our Marines out delivering pizzas on their block? Unfortunately, I think I have the answers.

More than 100 years ago, Britain was in a very similar position to the one in which we find ourselves today. Virtually alone as a global power, they could do anything with their military, anywhere in the world. This pattern continued as England's "Thin Red Line" spread the Queen's flag across the world. Everywhere, that is, except into Cteshwayo's Zulu land. A "modern" army was destroyed by an ill-equipped mob that was made up of men they had never seen, in a land they had never heard of. England continually pushed the limits of their power until it finally snapped and was destroyed by a native army at Isandhlwana (now part of South Africa). Will we learn from this lesson of the past? Are we doomed to repeat it time and time again?

Even as I write this, an American armada is circling Haiti.

## News Bits

### Free HIV Testing Available for Limited Time

Free and confidential HIV testing and counseling is available for a limited time. Call Health Services at 554-2374 to set up an appointment.

### Lady Mavs Softball Team To Be Honored in October

The UNO Lady Mavs softball team will be honored at a banquet Oct. 9 in recognition of last year's season when the Lady Mavs won the North Central Conference and regional titles, finishing third in the nation.

The banquet will take place at 2 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom.

### Truman Scholarship Applications Available

Applications for the Truman Scholarship are available in the Honor's Program Office. The \$30,000 merit-based scholarships are awarded to college students who wish to attend graduate school in preparation for careers in government or public service.

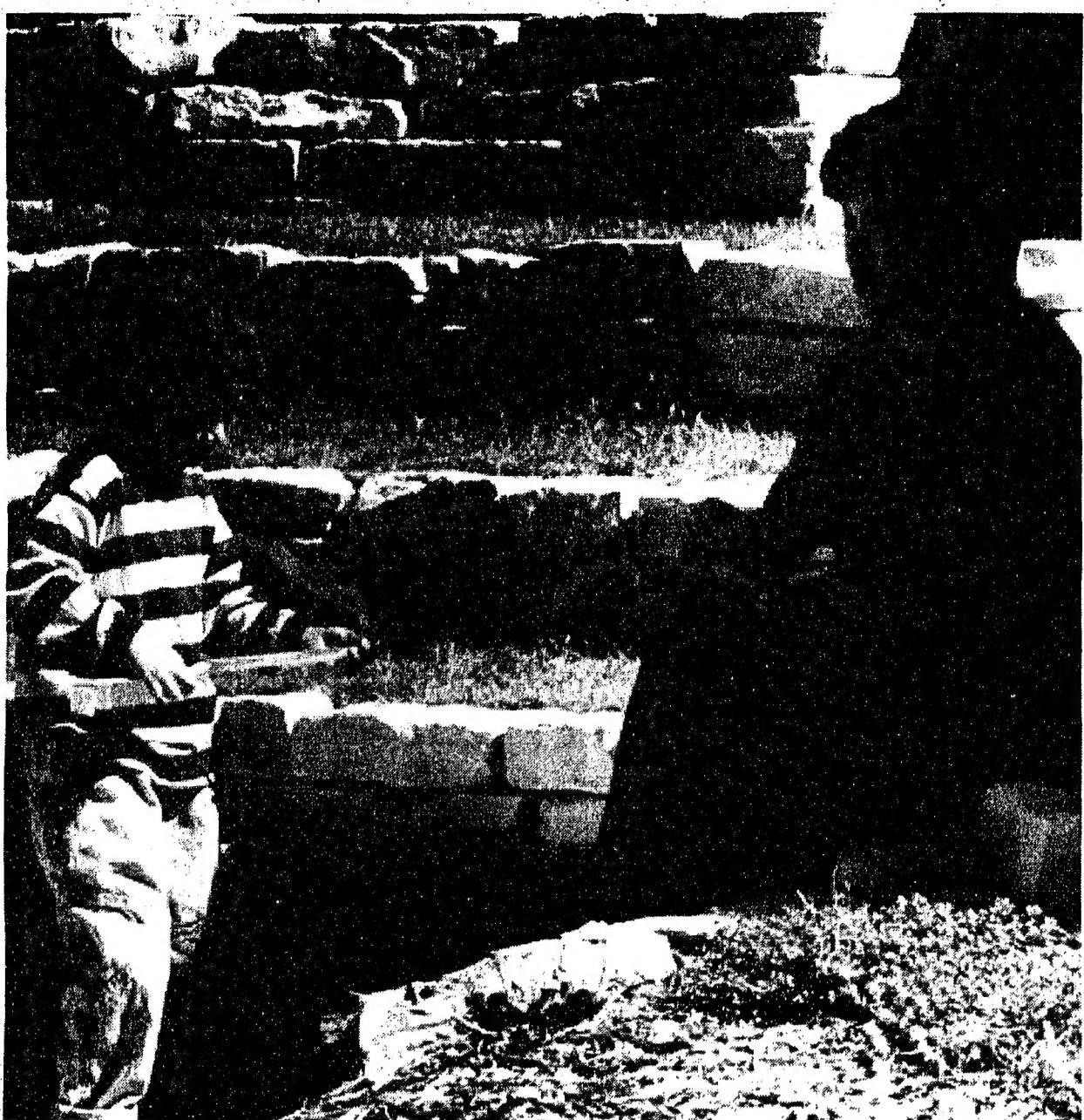
UNO nominates two students who will graduate in May, August or December 1996. Applications are due Nov. 1.

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mittee were, "irrelevant," Peterson said. "They (ASO) can have whatever types of committees they want as long as they are set up constitutionally and go by the bylaws."

The discipline committee area of the current constitution of ASO will remain the same.

No major changes will be made to the constitution, Peterson said, but the senate rules committee will make whatever changes are necessary to make the language clear and the discrepancies fixed.



**Catching the Last Glimpse of Summer**

Johnathon Lesher, 4, left, and Ellen Lesher take some time out in the Castle of Perserverance.

—Ed Carlson

# GUYS: Are you King of the Jungle? GALS: Are you Queen of the Nile? If so, be a candidate for **HOOMECOMING ROYALTY**

Applications are available in the S.P.O. Office, NE corner of the MBSC. They must be turned in by 5:00 p.m. (cst) on Friday, September 23rd.



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"Truth in sentencing must be accomplished in America," he said. "If you're given a 10-year punishment, then you need to serve 10 years."

Christensen said he was in favor of "Three-Strikes-You're-Out," a provision of the bill that hands life sentences to federal criminals convicted of three violent or drug crimes.

"I don't see why we need to give them three strikes," he said. "Why not look at something tougher? Why are we giving them so many chances?"

Christensen criticized the crime bill's ban on 19 types of assault-style firearms. Federal statistics show that less than one percent of all crime is committed with these weapons, he said.

"If we really want to get tough on crime, we need to keep prisoners behind bars, we need to eliminate parole, and we need to look at all options, rather than infringing on the rights of law-abiding

citizens who believe in the second amendment," he said.

True "assault weapons" Christensen said, are people like Harold Lamont Otey and John Joubert, and neither of these two individuals used a gun to commit the crimes that put them on Nebraska's Death Row.

"The trouble with the liberal mindset of people like Peter Hoagland is that they believe that the gun is the problem, not the person pulling the trigger," he said.

Christensen said that the best crime prevention and control should be done on a local level. No bureaucrat from Washington D.C. should be able to come to Omaha and tell local experts how to handle things, he said.

"A federal government big enough to give you everything you want is a government big enough to take everything you've got," he said.

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flexibility in their job quest.

Sally Bachtell of Sharp Personnel said that many part-time jobs often lead to full-time careers. The jobs available aren't always the usual telemarketing jobs available to students who need flexibility in scheduling school and work, she said.

"We have a real variety," Bachtell said. From in-store demonstration to follow-up surveys, "We do a lot of different things."

Student reaction to the fair was as varied as the employers represented. Two engineering students were overheard complaining that the fair didn't offer anything for them.

Karla James, a physical therapy major at UNO, had mixed reactions to the fair. She liked that the fair offered an opportunity for students to see which companies were really hiring and which ones weren't. She felt that the fair offered UNO students an op-

portunity "to get together and see the different opportunities."

"I think the most negative aspect is that the people here (employers) don't really know about the programs that they're supporting," James said. "You ask questions, they may just be new trainees themselves, and they don't know a lot about their programs."

"Not all of them, but I ran into quite a few."

Sandy Straight, a UNO senior, found the fair to be very interesting.

"There's a lot of people in there," she commented as she left.

"You can drop off resumes if you're interested or have questions," Straight said. "Everybody was really nice."

The Career Exploration and Employment Fair was sponsored by UNO's Career Planning and Placement Office.

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# LETTERS

## 'Chalk for Kids, Not Agenda'

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Gotta run. K-mart opens in 20 minutes and they promised my kids they would be first in line when the chalk delivery truck arrives. Take care, keep your grades up and your mind open. Take care, keep your grades up and your mind open. That way we'll all win in November.

Don Myers  
UNO student

### From Population, Page 1

Even with these results, Littrell said it would be unrealistic to expect world population to change overnight.

The biggest obstacle to solving the population problem is the size of the current world population, he said. The world is 70 to 100 years away from stabilizing population growth, even as we continue to lower fertility rates.

"There's a thing called population momentum," he said. "Even after we reach zero population growth, the population is still going to be growing. Those kids are going to come along and they're going to have kids, so a whole generation will have to live and die off. You just can't stop it. It's a very hard, cold fact."

# FROM THE WIRE

## Student 'Wizard' at Inter National Competition

By College Books

He's not deaf, dumb or blind, but Bowen Kerins sure plays some mean pinball. The Stanford University sophomore launched himself into stardom this February by flipping more balls, tilting more lights and racking up more points than anyone: He's the World's Greatest Pinball Player.

"I was so excited. Even though there's so much strategy and skill involved, there's a lot of luck," said Kerins, 18. "You have to get the breaks."

Kerins' skill and luck put him over 600 competitors in the fourth annual Professional and Amateur Pinball Association's International Pinball Championships, known as PAPA 4. Otherwise unnoticed before the final round, Kerins hurled himself to the top with a phenomenal score of 675,729,540.

Despite this score's magnitude, the underdog's luck pulled him through. Prior to this last round, Kerins was only in ninth place and last year's PAPA winner, Lymon Sheats, scored over 1 billion just practicing for the final match. Kerins concedes that the competition

was close and others could have surpassed him.

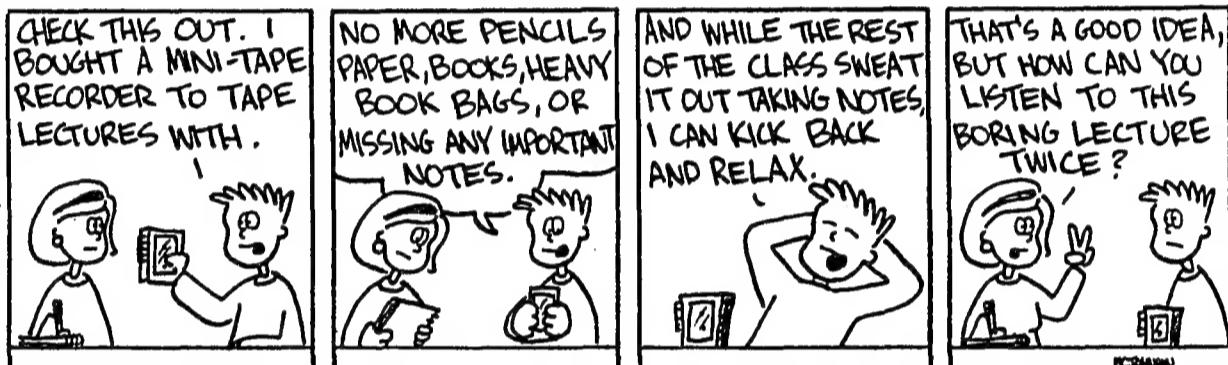
"I'm not even the best player. I can definitely say that," Kerins said. "Sheats is much better than I am. He just got shafted in the finals."

Sheats, known for his calm flipping style, won the PAPA 4 Champion division title, a league created for previous PAPA contestants. He said he plans to buy a pinball machine to practice on for next year's PAPA 5 competition. "It's great for pinball that a new wave of players is coming on so strong," Sheats said. "But I'll be back next year."

The machines used for this competition were examples of flashy technology, Kerins said. For instance, "Star Trek: The Next Generation" uses the voices of the show's real actors as part of the game's special effects. None of the pinballers had ever played "The Who's Tommy" game, based on the current Broadway musical, before its debut in the competition's last round. Playing was an experience just because of the effort gone into making it, he said.

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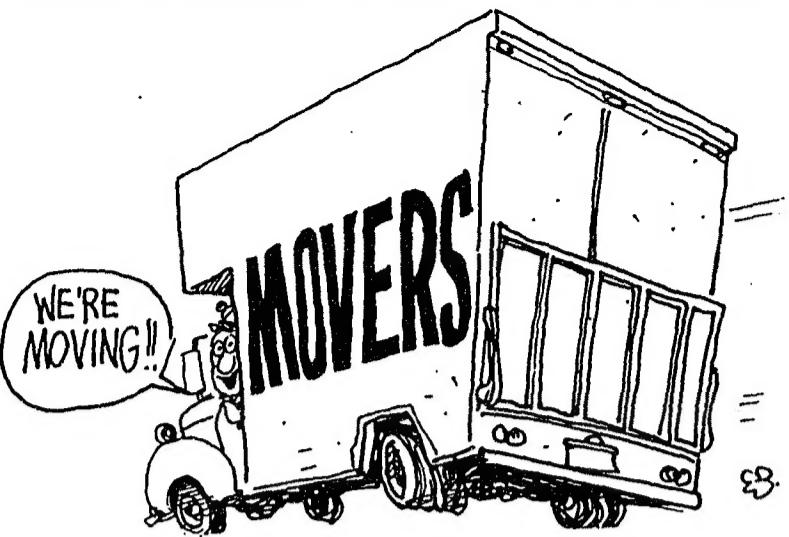
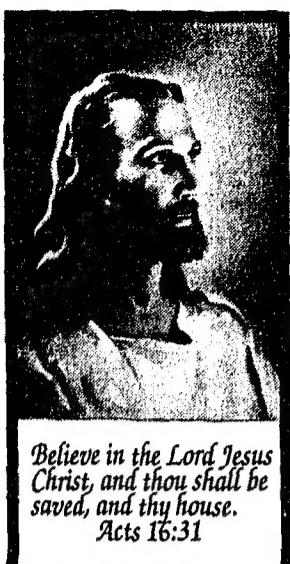
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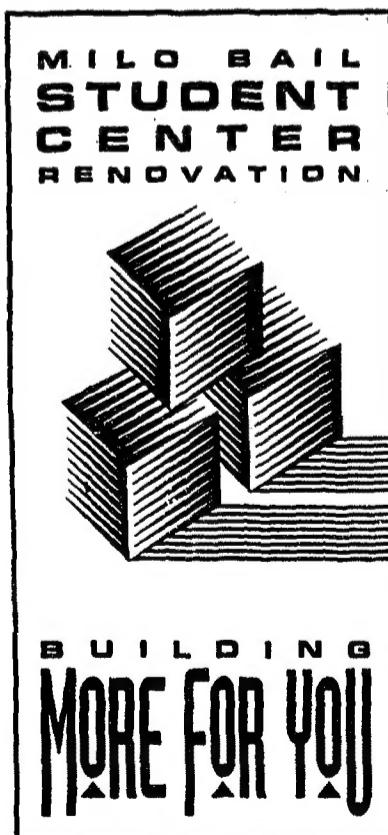


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# Books Score Touchdown at UNO

By Becky Brown

"Go Big Read" is the theme behind the Fourth Annual Nebraska Literature Festival at UNO.

"We want people to get into reading like they get into Nebraska football. We want people to know that the writers of Nebraska are equal to the sports players of the football team," said Virginia Frank, coordinator of the festival.

The festival is sponsored by UNO, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, University of Nebraska at Kearney, the Nebraska Humanities Council and the Nebraska Center for the Book, she said, and is hosted on a rotating basis between the three university campuses each year.

"What people will get out of the literature festival depends on what events they choose to take part in," Frank said.

The festival, which runs Sept. 22-24 at three different locations, will feature a variety of events.

Ron Hansen, a nationally recognized writer from Omaha, will be reading from his works at the UNO Alumni House Thursday at 7 p.m. The price for students is \$10, she said.

On Friday, the focus will be on high school writers, she said.

"They will come from throughout the state to campus to participate in workshops arranged by the drama department and the English department," she said.

A musical performance directed by Cathy Wells called, "Free Speech for Me but Not for Thee" will be performed Friday night at 6:30, she said, and admission for everyone is \$15.

"It's about censorship, a serious subject, but it's a very light-hearted musical. It even includes some references to Madonna," she said.

On Saturday, all events will take place at the Peter Kiewit Conference Center at 14th and Farnam Streets, from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m.

"Events will be announced hourly from the River City Roundup picnic bandstand," she said, "so we are actually a part of the River City Roundup celebration."

The schedule includes author signings, readings, workshops, panels, interviews, story tellers, music performances, videos and a book fair, she said. The cost of pre-registration is \$5, and \$6 at the door.

Topics for workshops will include marketing fiction, Native American elements in Omaha history and Native American autobiographies, Frank said.

Some sessions will focus on Nebraska writers from the past, including Willa Cather, Mari Sandoz and John G. Neihardt, she said.

"These sessions are not for academics, they are for people who like the literature," she said.

Also on Saturday, 20 currently publishing writers from Nebraska will read their own works, she said.

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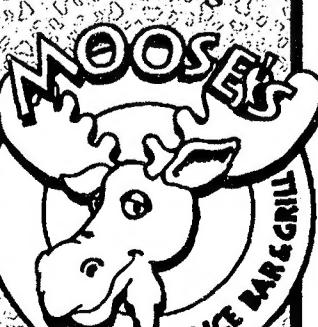
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# SPORTS

## Bison Stampede Mavs In 49-9 Home Contest

By Jeff Garcia

In a game that began with UNO domination throughout most of the first half, the Mavericks were eventually routed, 49-9, as North Dakota State (NDSU) unleashed 35 second-half points.

With 12:31 left in the first half of play, UNO seized the early lead on a 25-yard field goal by Brian Ruch. The Ruch field goal was his second attempt of the first half and capped off a nine play 50-yard drive.

The estimated crowd of 4,300 would see the lead change once more as the Mavericks were outscored 49-6 in the following 33 minutes of play.

The Bison were unable to obtain a first down until sophomore quarterback Rob Hyland connected with junior split end Mike Gidley on a 49-yard pass. "We were beginning to panic a little," Hyland said. "They were controlling the line of scrimmage."

The Hyland pass came with less than six and a half minutes remaining in the first half, and ignited the stagnant NDSU offense. Four plays later, Hyland connected with senior tight end Kevin Holm. The 19-yard pass from Hyland was only his third passing attempt of the first half.

Able to mount another successful drive, UNO had crossed midfield before disaster struck. With 44 seconds on the clock, Bison strong safety Israel Moses intercepted a Troy Kloewer pass. Moses, shaken earlier in the game, returned the ball to the Maverick 31-yard line.

"They just wore us down and took advantage of a couple mistakes that cost us," said UNO Head Coach Pat Behrns.

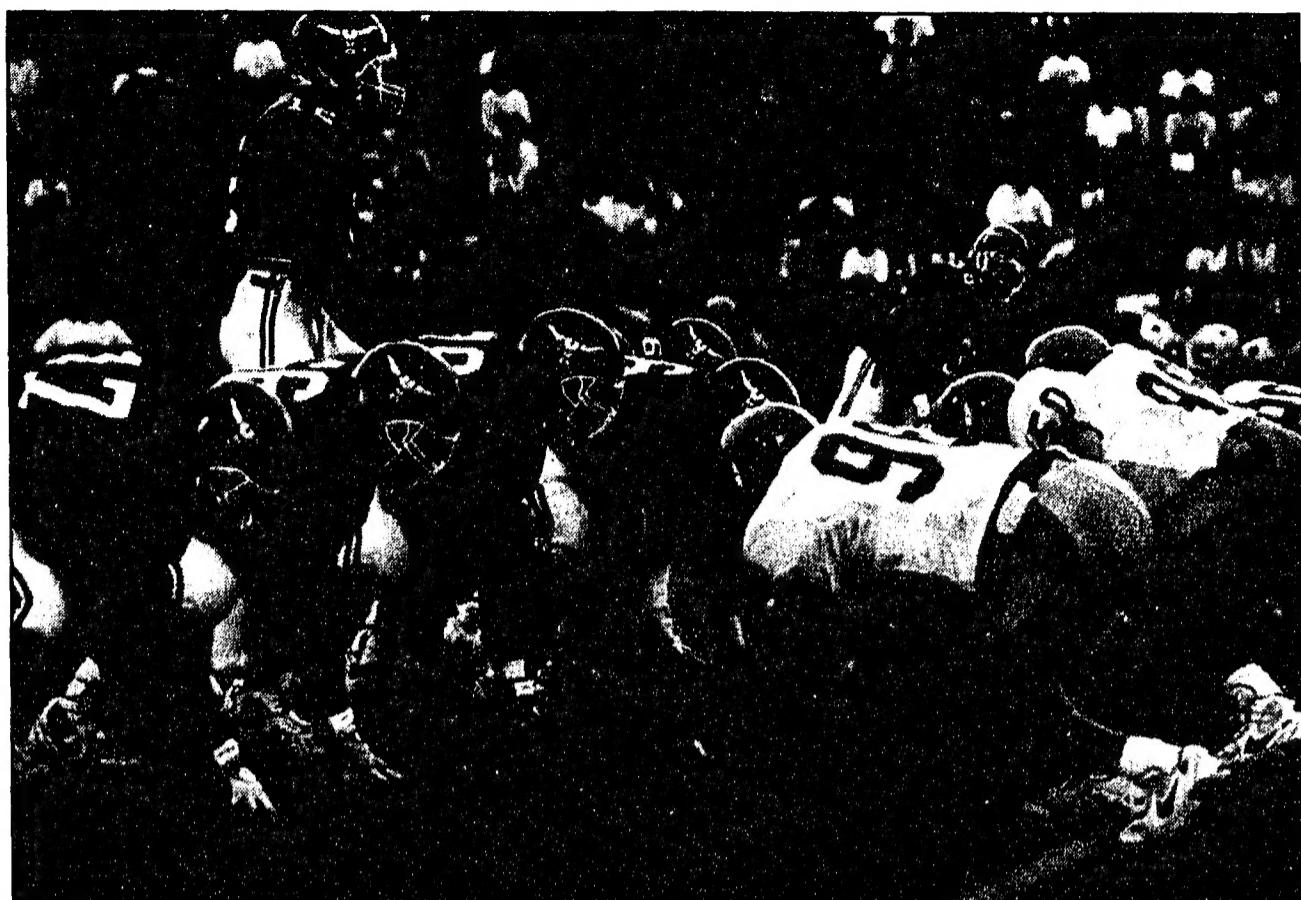
NDSU needed only two plays before running back Matt Roller broke open a 22-yard touchdown run. With 18 seconds remaining in the second quarter, place kicker Ludvigg Milfors added his second extra point to give NDSU a 14-3 lead.

The 11-point Bison lead was not reflective of UNO's first half of play. The Mavs obtained 10 first downs, six more than NDSU and controlled the ball for nearly 18 first half minutes.

"We were surprised to have that kind of lead at that time," Hyland said. "They(UNO) were doing some stuff we hadn't seen earlier in the week."

Early in the third quarter UNO had yet another opportunity, when Bison punter John Torrance squibbed an 11-yard punt. Taking over on the NDSU 21-yard line, the Mavericks needed six plays to move 15-yards.

On third down the Mavs were unable to convert on a touchdown pass when wide receiver John Medley was



—Jon Pycha

UNO and North Dakota State line up in Saturday's game at Al Caniglia field.

ruled out of bounds. Ruch followed with a 24-field goal to pull the Mavs within eight.

"We were inside their 35-yard line several times," Behrns said. "If we got a touchdown there, it might have made a big difference."

The Bison followed with three consecutive touchdowns. The first touchdown came when Hyland hit Gidley on a 60-yard pass. The four play 74-yard drive put the Bison securely ahead 21-6.

Focusing on the NDSU near perfect veer option, the Mavs were forced to cover the Bison receivers one-on-one. "You got to take a chance and stop the run," Behrns said.

On the following UNO drive, a third down Kloewer pass was intercepted. NDSU outside linebacker Joe Toth returned the interception 33-yards for a touchdown, giving the Bison a 28-6 lead.

Plagued with dropped passes, UNO assembled a drive that was characteristic of their second half of play. The Mavs once again fell short of a score when Ruch attempted a 52-yard field goal, his fourth of the evening.

The missed field goal left the Bison on the NDSU 35-yard line. After taking a time-out, freshman running back Jake Morris took a Hyland pitch 62-yards.

Ruch's third field goal from 37 yards came early in the fourth quarter and brought the score to 35-9. The Omaha Creighton Prep place kicker tied the school record for field goals in a game with three.

NDSU's Morris scored again on a 12-run, to cap a 65-yard drive. Morris second touchdown gave the Bison a comfortable 42-9 lead.

NDSU's final score of the game with 2:46 remaining in the game, on a 2-yard run by freshman running back Andrew Wilson.

"I am extremely disappointed," Kloewer said. "We have a great offensive line, I am very disappointed in our specialty positions."

Highlighting UNO's defense was freshman linebacker Cedric Welch. Welch lead the team with 15 tackles, and several pressures.

"I was proud of my players tonight," Behrns said. "We need to keep our confidence on both sides of the ball."

The victory lifts the North Dakota State University Bison to 3-0 overall and 1-0 in the North Central Conference. UNO remains winless at 0-3. Next Saturday the Mavericks will travel to South Dakota. The game will begin at 1:30 P.M.

## Lady Mavs Defeat N. Dakota, Improve Record

By Tim Rohwer

The Lady Mavs volleyball team buffaloed the Bison of North Dakota State University (NDSU) Saturday night to complete a successful weekend of play.

UNO, ranked ninth in the NCAA Division II, swept No. 22-ranked NDSU 16-14, 16-14, 15-5 to improve its overall record to 7-2 and 2-1 in the North Central Conference (NCC).

The previous evening, the Lady Mavs defeated the Sioux of North Dakota, 15-6, 15-4, 15-8.

The Lady Mavs' win over the Bison was important because of the rivalry between the two schools, UNO Coach Rose Shires said.

"It's more than number nine going against No. 22. This is a very intense, long, long rivalry and I believed we played well against a top-quality team," she said.

Despite the sweep of the Bison, the first two games were far from easy.

Early in the first game, junior outside hitter Kevin Campbell scored an ace to give UNO a 3-2 lead.

The Bison scored four of the next five points, including a kill by Tracy Kraft to move ahead 6-4.

The Bison continued the rampage and increased its margin to 11-6. An ace by UNO's sophomore setter Amy Steffel made the score 11-7, but NDSU looked tougher than ever and eventually got to within one point of victory at 14-10.

That's when the Mavs really got going.

After scoring two straight points, the Mavs got within one

when junior middle blocker Denise Otten scored on a kill. Later, Campbell tied the score by blocking a shot for a point.

UNO went ahead when Kraft went over the net trying to spike the ball, and won it when Kraft hit a return shot into the net.

The Bison went ahead 3-1 in the second game before the Mavs rallied. Otten hit a spike which NDSU's Jeni Jost could not return, hitting it out of bounds instead. That point gave the Mavs a 5-3 lead.

UNO, however, could not hold the lead and a kill by NDSU's Chris Elf tied the score at eight. Later, a kill by Krista Werner gave the Bison an 11-10 lead.

The Mavs eventually tied the game at 12 when Kraft hit a return shot out of bounds. After UNO went ahead 13-12, a kill by freshman middle blocker Tanya Cate increased the lead to 14-12.

The Bison came back and tied the contest, but two kills by Campbell decided the outcome.

After the second game, the Lady Mavs sponsored a promotion allowing children in the stands to hit balls over the net on center court.

The event ran longer than a regular intermission and the Mavs looked sluggish early in the third game. After the Bison raced to a 5-1 lead, Shires became upset and called a time-out.

"We relaxed a little bit between the second and third game because of the promotion, while NDSU came out aggressive. During the time-out, I told the team to pick up the play and they did," she said.

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## Open Tryouts Not So Unusual, Carter Says

By Tim Rohwer

UNO Men's Basketball Coach Tim Carter will be holding tryouts in October for all male students interested in playing basketball for the Mavs.

"We want to get the student body involved and maybe we could get one, two or three guys who might be good enough to join us," Carter said. "I'm sure it would generate enthusiasm for the program, especially for people who may know these guys, but it's more than generating interest. If they're good players, we want them."

Carter, who was hired in the spring after the resignation of longtime coach Bob Hanson, said this walk-on policy is typical at most universities around the country.

"Every school I've been at, we had a walk-on program and most schools have them," he said.

Before coming to UNO, Carter served four years as an assistant at Northwestern University. He also served on the basketball staff at the University of Houston and Oklahoma State.

Carter said anyone interested does not need to have played high school or any other organized basketball, though that experience would be helpful.

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# SPORTS

## Cross-Country Team Earns Sixth-Place Finish at Meet

By Tim Rohwer

The Lady Mavs cross-country team finished sixth out of 14 teams in the College Division at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL)/Nebraska Wesleyan Invitational Saturday.

The Mavs finished with 187 points, compared to champion Emporia (Kan.) State which had 44 points. The other schools that finished ahead of UNO were Doane with 47 points, Northwest Missouri State with 52, Hastings with 147 and the University of Nebraska at Kearney with 152.

"There weren't any surprises. I figured we would finish around fifth or sixth," said Mav Coach Tim Hendricks. "I guess I was a little surprised with Emporia winning it. They were at the event last year and even though Emporia was competitive, they didn't show any indication they would do better this time."

The top individual runner for UNO was Jennifer Kennedy who finished eighth out of 132 runners by running the 5,000-meter event in 19:41 minutes.

The other UNO finishers were Elise Henry who finished in 20:50 minutes for 30th place; Jami Brown, 21:28 minutes for 38th place; Billie Jo Antisdel, 22:10 for 50th place and Amy Blackman, 24:13 for 61st place.

It was Blackman's performance that was the most pleasant surprise, Hendricks said.

"She ran better than I thought she would. In fact, she was 45 seconds better than what she did last week," he said.

Blackman almost didn't run because of an injury.

"Because of her injury, we lightened up her practice during the week and things worked out well for us," Hendricks said.

Michelle Clark of Barton County Junior College had the fastest individual time of 18:16 minutes, followed by teammate Kristijna Loonen who finished in 18:25 minutes.

The race was held in Lincoln's Pioneer Park with a contour that's different from other tracks, he said.

"This was one of the toughest courses we'll run on because unlike a flat course, Pioneer Park has a lot of hills and a lot of sharp turns. You have to slow up and slow down and you never get into a good rhythm. But the race didn't drain any of my runners and that's a good sign," Hendricks said.

Normally, a race on those conditions would produce slower times, but that didn't happen Saturday, he said.

The event had two divisions, the College Division for smaller schools and the University Division for major teams. Those competing in the University Division included UNL, Creighton, Texas A&M and Kansas State.

The Lady Huskers won their division with five runners finishing in the top 10.

This weekend, the Lady Mavs travel to Doane College in Crete, Neb., for its next meet and Hendricks expressed confidence of a good showing.

"Our goal is to finish second. Realistically, we're not going to beat Doane, but as long as we stay healthy, we'll be respectable," he said.

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### THROW-BACK DAY

As I lay on the couch Sunday and watched football, I tried to understand why the NFL was exposing us to uniform throw-back day. I think I know why. They want us (the non-color blind/color television owning public) to be more appreciative of the countless dedicated hours that uniform designers around the league have spent replacing these terrible eye sores. Furthermore they (the color blind NFL directors) felt that a mere photograph of a 1950s uniform would not be suffice, so they had every team (including Chicago) wear these hideous uniforms.

*Opinion by  
Jeff Garcia*

If NBC ran those Powlus commercials this week, the 10 for 30 and 4 interception afternoon would really stir my curiosities. I would be glued to NBC (Notre Dame Broadcasting Channel) next Saturday.

I honestly feel that it is disgraceful that this is taking place. Once again the NCAA has failed to control the money universities. The contract between NBC and the NCAA should have been declared illegal. It is completely wrong that NBC must create a star from the Notre Dame team, simply to improve its ratings. No other player experiences such pressures on national television, why should he.

### UNO

Most of you already know that the Mavs suffered a 49-9 defeat at the hands of North Dakota State University. But unless you were there Saturday night watching the Mavs, you don't realize that the Mavericks actually outplayed the Bison most of the first half.

More first downs. More total yards. The first half was ours.

No of course I didn't really think UNO was going to hang with NDSU the whole game. Barring a miracle they couldn't have. NDSU is the third-ranked team in the nation, and have been at the top of division II for years.

Yet for 30 minutes the Mavericks were able to keep the Bison in check. I wonder what people would say next week if Pacific keeps the Huskers under control for 30 minutes.

Yes, Coach Behrens feels as though he made progress and I do too.

Congratulations to the Lady Maverick volleyball team for sending half of the NDSU entourage home sad this weekend.

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## From Volleyball, Page 9

And, how.

The Lady Mavs scored 14 straight points for the victory with an ace by Cate "The Clincher."

Otten led the Mavs with 10 kills and six block assists, while Campbell had eight kills and 32 digs.

The Mavs' sweep of the Bison did not come as a surprise to Shires.

"Our goal was to win in three games, but the Bison didn't give up in any game and it was not an easy win," she said.

On Friday, Campbell had nine kills and 15 digs to help lead UNO to the sweep against the Sioux. Otten added seven kills and two aces as the Lady Mavs rebounded after losing two of three matches the previous weekend.

Despite the lopsided scores, North Dakota was tough to play, Otten said.

"North Dakota is slower than we are and it's harder to keep the game going faster when we play a team like that, but we were able to pick it up," she said.

Her game still needs some improvement, Otten said.

"I need improvement in my blocking and being able to stay aggressive," she said.

The team also has some things to work on, Shires said.

"A lot of the Bison's points came on our own errors, so that's one thing we need to work on, cleaning up our errors," she said. "Overall, though, it was a great weekend for us."

The Mavs play the University of Nebraska at Kearney Tuesday night at 7 p.m. in the Fieldhouse. The Lopers are ranked No. 12 in the Division II poll.

## From Tryout, Page 9

"As long as they're eligible, anyone can try out, though it would be helpful if they played basketball in the past because it would help them better understand what they have to go through," he said.

To be eligible, a student must have had a 2.0 grade-point average coming out of high school and achieved at least a score of 17 on the ACT exam or at least a 700 score on the SAT exam, Carter said. A physical exam must also be taken before the tryout dates.

Carter said he began placing an ad about the tryout several weeks ago in the *Gateway*.

"I don't have the exact figures on the number of people who called, but

the response has been good," he said.

Carter also said this walk-on policy has nothing to do with the fact that he has lost several players on his squad who transferred to other schools or were ruled academically ineligible.

"I just want to give the student body an opportunity for a couple of days of practice, and for trying out for the team. This is something most schools have and who knows, maybe we'll find a Michael Jordan or Larry Bird out there," Carter said.

The tryout dates are Oct. 15 and 16 in the Fieldhouse, he said.

For more information, call the UNO Athletic Office at 554-2305.

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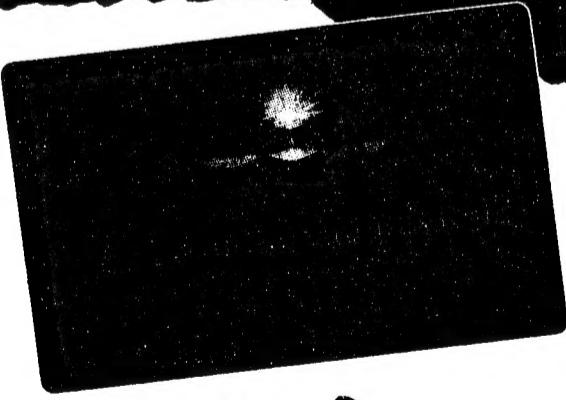
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